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Continuing Education Reviews

The Board initiated a process for reviewing renewal applications for continuing education hours in 2003. The process involves the random selection of several (typically 3 to 5) applications. These 3 to 5 licensees are requested to submit documentation of their continuing education activities to the Board for review. The continuing education portion of these applications and the submitted documentation are reviewed during meetings of the Board.

The intent of this review is to evaluate whether the continuing education hours submitted meet the intent of the Act. Results of the Board's initial reviews highlighted that many licensees may not have a clear understanding as to the types of activities that are acceptable for continuing education.

One example is that of training related specifically to asbestos work. Another involves the amount of safety training hours to be allowed for continuing education hours. As a result of this review process, the Board foresees revisions to the current guidelines in order to provide licensees with a clearer description of continuing education opportunities that meet the requirement. The Board is also considering if certain types of training may require pre-approval.

One method for resolving questions that a licensee may have regarding the adequacy of a particular continuing education opportunity is to request pre-approval from the Board.

Rules regarding the requirement for continuing education hours are located in Chapter 364-x-13 Expiration and Renewals of the Rules and Regulations of the Administrative Code. Guidelines for recognizing appropriate continuing education activities are located on the Board's website.

**You can find a renewal
notice on the board's
website:
www.algeobd.state.al.us**

Look for more discussion
regarding continuing education
in the next issue of the
Alabama Geologist.

Congratulations to those that passed the ASBOG Exam!Fundamentals of Geology

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

August 19, 2004 Board Meeting
 September 16, 2004 Board Meeting
 October 8, 2004 ASBOG Exam
 Montgomery Civic Center
 November 20, 2004 Board Meeting

Board Member Update

Governor Riley has appointed Dr. Nick Tew as a new Board Member on the Alabama Board of Licensure for Professional Geologists. Dr. Tew, who is also the State Geologist, has been appointed for a three-year term in the Petroleum position on the Board. Dr. Tew will be replacing Mr. Roger Chapman who is the last original Board Member. Mr. Chapman has served since the Board's inception in 1997. The Board looks forward to working with Dr. Tew during his term. Governor Riley has also re-appointed Ms. Dorothy Malaier as a Board Member for another three-year term in the Government Position. The Board looks forward to her continued service.

The Board would also like to thank Mr. Roger Chapman for his years of service as a Board Member. Mr. Chapman has served as a Board Member since 1997 and has been very instrumental to the Board's progress during his term. We wish Mr. Chapman well in his future endeavors. Again, thank you for your service and dedication to this Board during your term.

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